

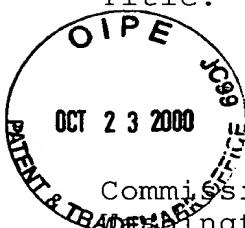
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: ROMAN SCHERTLER

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LETTER REQUESTING DRAWING CHANGE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

October 23, 2000

Sir:

Applicant attaches hereto a new drawing sheet in which Fig. 5 has been amended by changing numeral 23 to --22'--. No new matter is added thereby.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #622/40901CO).

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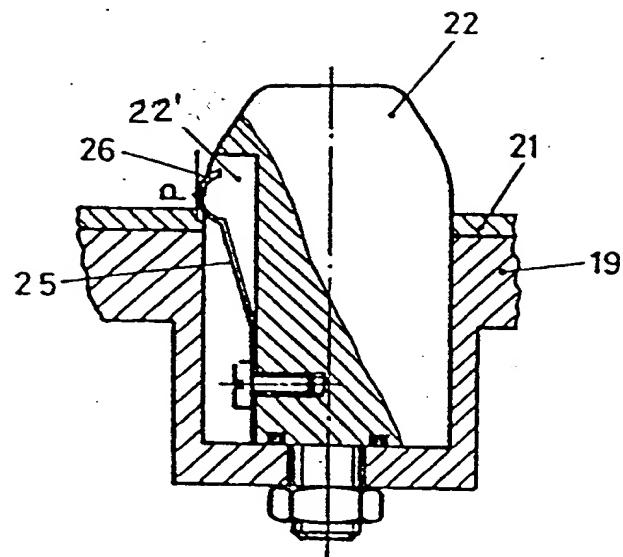


FIG. 5

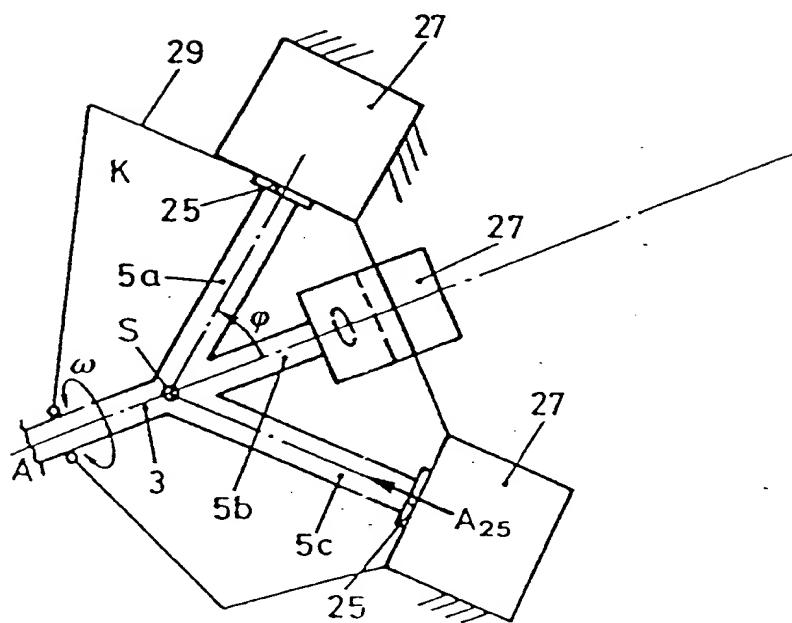


FIG. 6